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Man Sentenced to Prison for Fatal Car Crash in Claremont

A 40-year-old man was sentenced yesterday to 15 years to life in state prison for striking another vehicle with his car and killing its passenger, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

On Sept. 30, 2016, a jury found Ryan Munoz of Alhambra guilty of second-degree murder in case KA106465.

Deputy District Attorney Casey Jarvis, who prosecuted the case, said in the early morning of June 28, 2014, Munoz was driving his truck on the westbound 210 Freeway when he crashed into another car.

The driver survived but passenger, Gevork Krpikyan, 27, died.

Rather than render aid to the victims, Munoz remained about a half mile near the incident and then fled 15 minutes after the crash.

Evidence presented at trial established that the defendant was driving with a blood alcohol content level of at least .20 percent at the time of the crash.

Additionally, the defendant was on summary probation for a 2012 DUI conviction, according to court testimony.

The case was investigated by the California Highway Patrol.

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